

United States Patent and Trademark Office

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

PPLICATION NO.		FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
09/975,475		10/11/2001	Marc J. Madou	OSU1159-140A	9748
8698	7590	01/25/2005		EXAMINER	
STANDLI 495 METR		GROUP LLP	LEADER, WILLIAM T		
SUITE 210				ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER
DUBLIN,	OH 4301	7	1742		
			•	DATE MAILED: 01/25/200:	5

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450



APPLICATION NO./ CONTROL NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR I PATENT IN REEXAMINATION	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.		
				EXAMINER	
			ART UNIT	PAPER	
		·		20050118	
			DATE MAILED:		

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Commissioner for Patents

Application/Control Number: 09/975,475

Art Unit: 1742

1. Applicant's petition for acceptance of black and white photographs under 37 CFR 1.84(b) has been received. However, the requirement for a petition, petition fee, and three sets of black and white photographs has been eliminated. See 1213 O.G. 108 (August 4, 1998), 1211 O.G. 34 (June 9, 1999) and 37 CFR 1.84(b) which states that "The Office will accept photographs in utility and design patent applications, however, if photographs are the only practicable medium for illustrating the claimed invention." Consequently, applicant's petition is moot.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to William T. Leader whose telephone number is 571-272-1245. The examiner can normally be reached on Mondays-Thursdays and alternate Fridays, 7:30-4:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Roy King, can be reached on 571-272-1244. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

Application/Control Number: 09/975,475

Art Unit: 1742

Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see http://pair-direct.uspto.gov. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).

William Leader January 18, 2004

ROY KING '
SUPERVISORY PATENT EXAMINER
TECHNOLOGY CENTER 1700